



HOMELESS YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT (YYA) STAKEHOLDER FORUM

4/23/2013 | 2 – 3:30pm | Friends of Youth | A monthly opportunity to hear about the changes planned for our homeless YYA system in King County.

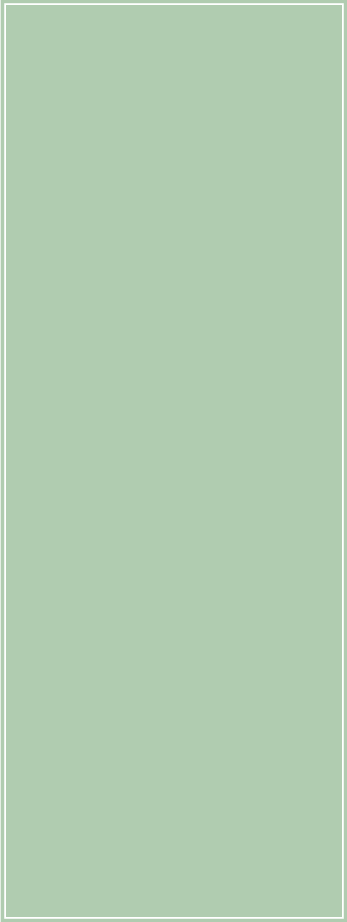
Welcome & Introductions

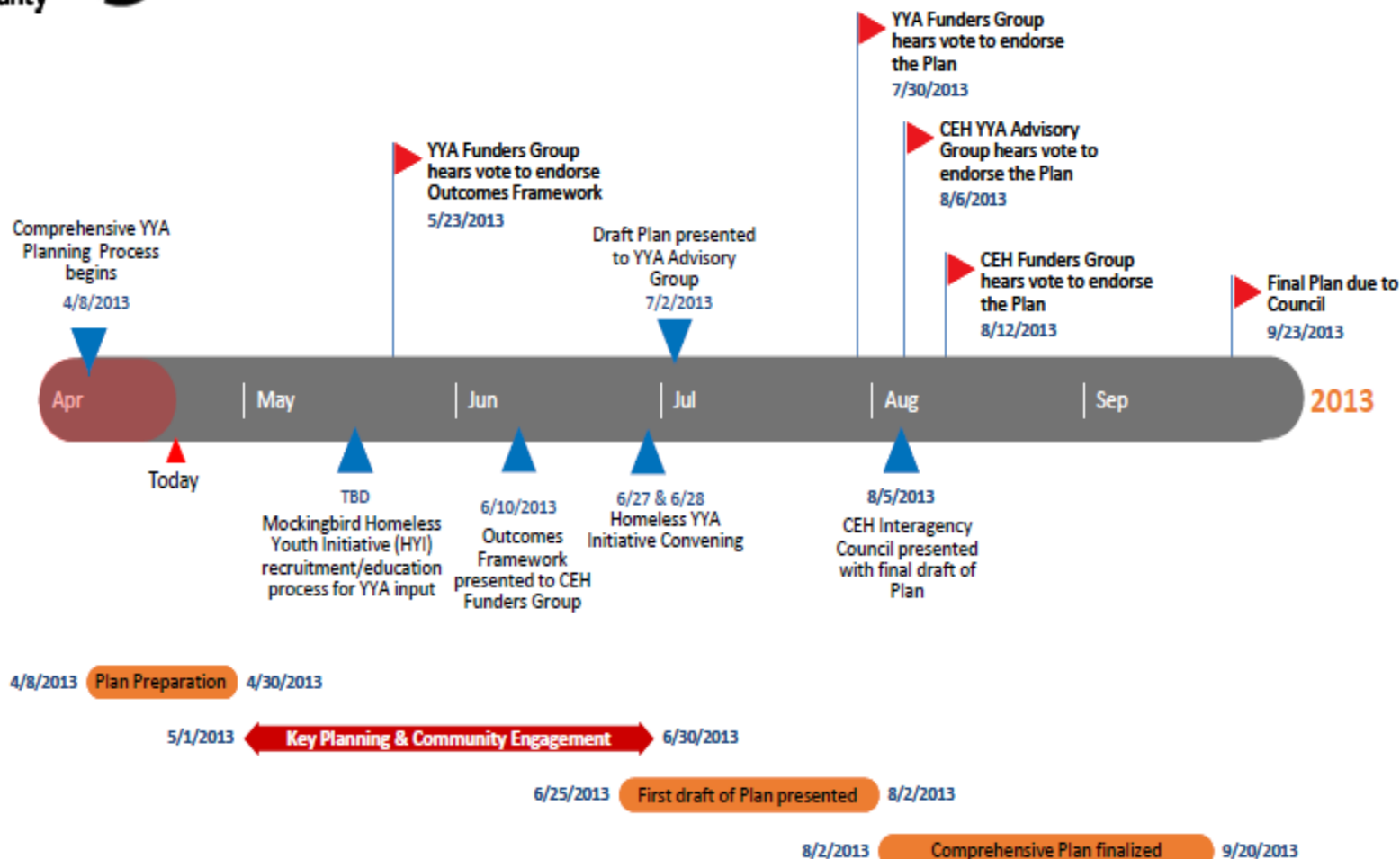
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- Derek Wentorf
 - Director, Homeless Youth Services
 - Friends of Youth

Objectives

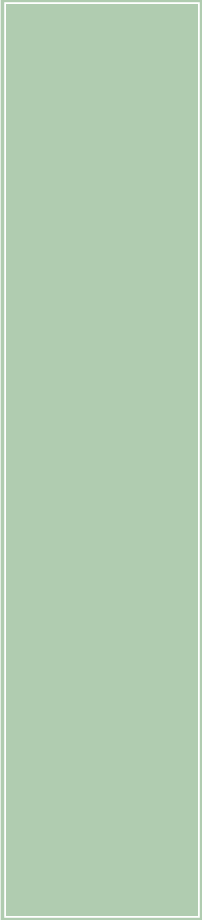
- Review Comprehensive YYA Plan
 - Timeline and plan elements
 - Homeless YYA Initiative Convening – Save the Date
 - Outcomes framework
 - Mockingbird Society YYA Engagement
- Next steps re:
 - Community Sign-In
 - Coordinated Engagement Housing Assessments

Comprehensive YYA Plan Update

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- Where are we with the Plan
 - Started planning process this month
 - Now through May: Gathering info
 - May & June: Organizing & assessing data, community engagement/feedback
 - End of June: Community Convening
 - August: Presenting Plan to decision making bodies
 - September: Presenting the Plan to Council



Comprehensive YYA Plan

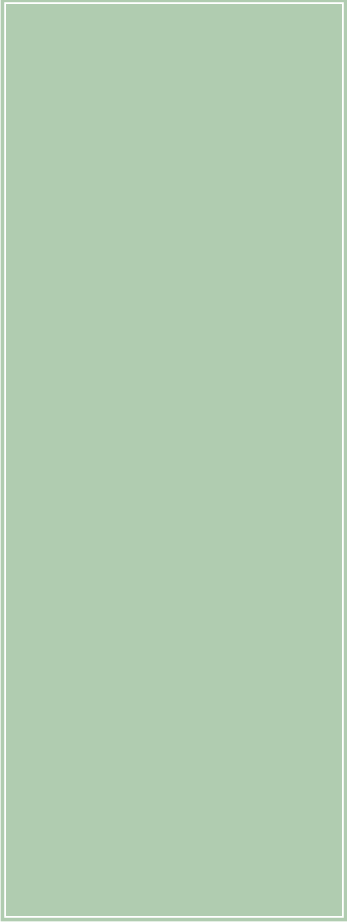
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- Elements of the Plan
 - ▣ Current data & landscape
 - ▣ Outcomes Framework
 - ▣ Community Goals & Call to Action
 - Communication & Opportunity for Input
 - ▣ Stakeholder Forums
 - ▣ Bi-weekly email updates
 - ▣ June Convening: 6/27 – 6/28
 - ▣ Website launching this week
 - ▣ Contact Michelle with feedback/thoughts

Outcomes Framework

The outcomes framework is foundational to the YYA Comprehensive Plan

- The Homeless YYA Initiative Outcomes Workgroup is meeting 4/24 and 5/2
 - What do we mean when we say “ending homelessness” by 2020?
 - What is our overall outcomes framework?
 - What are the priority indicators we’ll measure in year one?
 - What are our annual benchmarks – how do we know we’re making progress?

Update: Mockingbird Homeless Youth Initiative

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- ❑ Met with key partner agencies around King County
 - ❑ Calendar of regular HYI meeting times/places this week
 - ❑ Regularly scheduled meetings with YYA start in May
 - ❑ Will support the participation of young people from all over the county at the June convening

NEXT STEPS RE: COMMUNITY SIGN-IN

Youth and young adults ages 13 - 25, the first time they arrive at our doorstep, are asked to complete a community sign-in.

Community sign-in is the first step in coordinated engagement. The purpose is to:

- divert YYA from services via family reunification &
- promote consistent data collection across our continuum
- .. so that we are able to better advocate for necessary services and support.

Preparation for Community Sign-In

- **The King County Homeless YYA Initiative will conduct a survey of agencies and “front doors” to estimate what additional capacity may be needed.**
- **Considerations:**
 - Hardware available
 - Internet connectivity or potential for connectivity
 - Current levels of staffing at the door
 - Designated lead and one back up staff
 - List of potential users to schedule appropriate training venues
- After this survey, next steps and timeline will be determined.
- *The final timeline will be determined by agency capacity needs and readiness of the database/Safe Harbors.*

Community Sign-In

- Review your agency's "front door"
 - YYA is looked up in Safe Harbors at the front door
 - If community sign-in hasn't been completed consent is obtained and YYA is entered in to Safe Harbors:
 - Name and basic demographic information
 - Homelessness verification
 - Prevention/family reunification question(s)
 - If consent is refused, YYA is entered as non-consenting – YYA will not be denied access to program

NEXT STEPS RE: WAIT LIST MERGE

- Working with YYA housing programs to
 - learn about current wait lists
 - assess best timeframe for closing lists
- Anticipated request for closing wait lists in June
- Process:
 - Providers contact YYA on their wait list and have an ROI signed
 - CCS contact and schedule a housing assessment

Assessments During First Month of Launch

(sometimes called “pre assessments”)

YYA CE will launch

- by completing housing assessments with YAs
 - on wait lists
 - currently in shelters
 - Currently accessing drop in centers
- and then open up the drop-in style scheduling once that process is completed

Assessments will not occur prior to YYA CE launch.
Launch is currently scheduled for July 8.

YYA CE Staff Team

- Currently in process of hiring:
 - Housing Specialist – currently interviewing
 - Referral & Re-Assessment Specialist
 - Software Technician (Database Specialist)

Timeline: full staff team by June

Housing Inventory & Assessment

- Housing Program Inventory
 - Collects eligibility criteria
- Assessment Tool
 - Developed based on housing eligibility
- Assessment Site Locations

Timeline: finalized inventory, tool, & sites in May

Currently in Process

- Work Group Meetings
- Individual Meetings w. YYA Agencies
- YYA CE Naming

SAVE THE DATE:
NEXT YYA STAKEHOLDER
FORUM
MAY 28TH, 2 – 3:30PM

The 2100 Building
2100 24th Ave South, Seattle WA 98144